

Suggestions For The Last Day Buyers

LATE XMAS SHOPPERS SHOULD FEEL NO ANXIETY. NO MATTER WHAT CAUSED DELAY YOU HAVE PROFITED BY IT FOR HERE ARE HUNDREDS OF SUITABLE GIFTS FOR FATHER, MOTHER, HUSBAND, WIFE, BROTHER, SISTER, CHILD, RELATIVE OR FRIEND AT LITTLE EXPENSE. MAKE NO MISTAKE, YOU'LL FIND HERE JUST WHAT YOU WANT AND AT THE PRICE YOU WANT TO PAY.

Every Article Reduced for Friday's Buying

- Ladies' French Kid Gloves at 98c
- Ladies' Pure Silk Hose, plain or fancy . \$1.35
- Leather Shopping Bags at 73c
- Hand-made Fancy Corset Covers 98c
- Ladies' White Outing Flannel Gowns 98c
- Auto and Skating Wool Scarfs \$1.49
- Ostrich Plumes, all colors, 18-in. \$1.25
- Ladies' Crepe De Chine Waists \$1.98
- Ladies' Blanket Bath Robes \$2.98
- Ladies' Comfy and Felt Slippers 89c
- Perfumes in Xmas Boxes at 39c
- Ladies' Knitted Wool Caps 48c
- Hemstiched and Emb'd Handkerchiefs . 25c
- Ladies' Felt and Cordurov Hats 98c
- Woolen Middy Blouses at \$1.98
- Ladies' Lingerie and Voile Waists 98c
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- Ladies' Fancy Tea Aprons 25c
- Boudoir Caps, hand made 65c
- Ladies' Persian Flannel Kimonos 49c
- Ladies' Wool Sweaters \$1.49 and \$1.98
- Ladies' Ostrich Feather Boas \$1.95
- Ladies' \$6 and \$7 Trimmed Hats \$2.95

- Table Cloth and Dozen Napkins \$3.98
- Forty-two Piece Dinner Sets . . . \$3.90-\$4.69
- All Colors Mercerized Petticoats 75c
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- White Wool Blankets at \$3.90
- Children's Angora Sets \$1.35
- Children's Teddy Bear Suits \$1.75
- Ladies' Set, Muff and Collar \$4.95
- Ladies' Tailored Suits \$3.90 and \$5.90
- Baby Coats, Cordurov or Plush \$1.49
- White Honeycomb Countertopans 98c
- Full Size Maisch Comforters \$2.98
- Ladies' Trimmed Hats 98c and \$1.25
- 12-4 Extra Heavy Wool Nap Blankets \$1.49
- Babies' Soft Soled Shoes at 23c
- Ladies' \$4 Military Boots \$2.85
- Ladies' Plain Colored Silk Hose 98c
- Handbags, with Purse and Mirror 98c
- Hand-made Breakfast Cans 35c
- Seven-piece Hand-Painted Berry Set . 75c
- Three-piece Decorated China Tea Set . \$1.50
- Dolls, Games and Toys 5c, 10c, 25c
- 5c, 10c and 15c Counters in the New Annex

- Men's 75c and \$1 Xmas Neckwear 48c
- Men's House and Bath Slippers 69c and 98c
- Men's Blanket Bath Robes \$2.98
- Men's \$2 Wool Sweaters 98c
- Men's Tie, Sox and Hdckf. Combination \$1.00
- Men's Suit Cases and Bags \$1.49
- Men's 65c and 75c Fancy Suspenders . 48c
- Men's 35c and 50c Neckwear 23c and 39c
- Men's \$6 and \$7 Rain Coats \$3.90
- Men's \$1.50 and \$1.75 Dress Gloves . 98c
- Men's \$7.50 and \$9.00 Mackinaws . \$5.75
- Men's 25c and 35c Silk Lisle Sox 19c
- Men's Outing Flannel Gowns 85c
- Men's \$1.25 Ribbed Union Suits 85c
- Men's \$7.50 and \$8.50 Rain Coats . \$3.90
- Men's 75c Fleeced Underwear 39c
- Men's \$10 and \$12.50 Overcoats . \$6.90
- Men's \$1.50 Australian Wool Underwear 98c
- Men's \$1.25 and \$1.50 Dress Shirts at . 98c
- Men's \$1.00 and \$1.25 Scotch Caps . . 65c
- Boys' Knicker School Suits \$1.98
- Boys' Wool School Caps 25c
- Boys' Knicker Trousers 49c

Salem's Big Christmas Store Court and Commercial

The Greater Chicago Store

OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL XMAS

Bring the Children to Toyland 2nd Floor New Annex

SUNDAY SCHOOLS ALL CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS

Exercises in celebration of Christmas will be held tonight and the remaining evenings of the week by the Sunday schools of all the churches in the city. These festivities in almost all the churches are in the way of a program prepared by the children, including recitations, speeches and musical numbers. The Oregon state school for the blind will give an operetta, "Caught Napping," tonight at the auditorium of the school, to which the public in general is invited.

Tonight the programs are as follows: Leslie M. E. Church—A general program of song, recitations and speeches will be given by the children of the Sunday school, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Presbyterian—The Sunday school will have entire charge of the program beginning at 7:30 o'clock and will include songs appropriate for the Christmas season.

First Baptist—A dinner will be served to the children of the Sunday school by the members of the church, beginning at 6:30 o'clock. The program will be given by the children while seated at the tables. Following their exercises, the choir of the church will render a program of appropriate music.

First Congregational—A dinner will be served at 6 o'clock to the members of the Sunday school. A Christmas tree will be added to the festivities of the evening. The evening's program will consist of the usual recitations, readings and musical numbers by the children. At the morning services, the cantata, "The Shepherd King," will be given by the choir under the direction of William McGilchrist, Sr.

Friday Night.

Many of the churches have selected Christmas eve for their Sunday school entertainment in which the Christmas tree will play a prominent part. The Friday night programs are by the Sunday schools of the following churches:

James Lee Memorial—The Sunday school will give readings, recitations and musical numbers and the Christmas tree will be appropriately decorated.

Highland Friends—Besides the songs and recitations, several interesting numbers will be given by the different classes.

First Christian—Assisted by the Junior orchestra of the Sunday school, the primary and junior classes will put on a program, beginning at 7:45 o'clock. Later the young people of the Sunday school will give the cantata, "Santa Claus and Uncle Sam."

Episcopal—Christmas eve at midnight, a choral service and address will be given. The morning services (Christmas day, at 10 o'clock will include the singing of "O Holy Night," by Miss Marjorie Marvin.

Central Congregational—The exercises by the Sunday school will be held in the church Friday evening and will consist of tableaux, class exercises and musical numbers.

United Evangelical—A program of music entitled "His Only Son" will be rendered by the Sunday school. The church has been beautifully decorated with a large design of the city of Bethlehem as the background for the scene of the entertainment.

German Methodist—The exercises of the evening will begin at 7:15 o'clock and will be held mostly in the German language.

Salvation Army—Friday afternoon the Army will distribute presents among the needy, but the greater part of the work of the Army will be in the distributing of Christmas baskets. Their final services will be held next Tuesday.

St. Joseph's church will celebrate Christmas day with three masses, at 6 o'clock in the morning, 8 o'clock a. m. and at 10:30 in the morning when a special mass will be sung.

Saturday night special services in which the children will take an active part.

Sunday morning the Liberty street church of the Evangelical association will have a special Christmas program in which the members of the church and Sunday school will take part.

The United Brethren church will also hold their Christmas services Sunday and will have the church decorated in white suggestive of a winter Christmas. The program will be given mostly by the children of the church.

Clarence McElrath and Dewey McElrath both entered pleas of guilty to a charge of grand larceny and after waiving preliminary hearing were bound over to the grand jury by Acting Justice of the Peace Charles Elgin under bonds of \$500 each. Both failed to put up the required bail money and were taken back to jail. Tim Riekman, who was arrested with them will be taken before Judge Busby in the juvenile court as he is under age. The boys were arrested in Portland where they had taken three bicycles which were identified as stolen from this city. All are said to have confessed to the officers of their part in the theft of the bicycles.

A marriage license was issued today to Fredrick Liecht, of Hemmingford, Nebraska, and Mattie Ortworth, of Woodburn.

County Sheriff William Esch today turned over to the county treasurer a total of \$6,597.40 that has been collected on taxes. Of this sum \$146.37 was for 1912 taxes, \$1,436.94 from taxes and \$4,814.18 for 1914 taxes. This is the eighth turnover that has been made by the county sheriff.

ELECTION IS RATIFIED

The election of the officers of the Maccabees was ratified at the meeting of the lodge last evening. Those elected are as follows:

Commander—W. W. Craig.
Lieutenant commander—C. W. Leeper.
Recorder—W. B. Gilson.
Chaplain—Earl J. Sumner.
Sergeant—E. P. Peltier.
Master at arms—John A. Coffee.
First master of the guards—E. C. Armstrong.
Second master of the guards—H. A. Lundeen.
Sentinel—F. J. A. Beringer.
Picket—J. O. Luper.

Next Wednesday evening the Maccabees will hold their annual Christmas tree exercises and entertainment at the McCormack hall in which the Knights and Ladies will participate.

Charlie Chaplin

Back Again Tomorrow and Saturday Also

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Big 4 Production

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Continuous Show Christmas Day from 2 until 11

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Chaplin Matinee

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For Children Under 14

12 o'clock to 1:45

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Or a paper wrapped sealed 10 lb. box of our fancy

PHEASANT PERFECTION PRUNES

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Willamette Valley Prune Association

BETHEL NEWS

(Capital Journal Special Service)

Bethel, Or., Dec. 23.—The composer last week lost a line of type. In the account given of the program at the literary two weeks ago the first number should have been as follows: "When mother drives the (car from behind)" by Oliver Puestman. The part in pharom was left out.

The debate at the literary last Friday evening was on the question "Resolved that city life is preferable to country life." The speakers on the affirmative were: W. B. Baker, Ed. Schulz, and John Zak. Negative: Alta Matten, Marjorie Miller, and Lucy nichols. The affirmative speakers claimed a higher standard of living for the cities and told of the modern improvements that are as yet beyond the means of most farmers. The ladies claimed the country to be the most healthful place to live. They told of the modern improvements being introduced into the farm homes and of the new labor saving methods and machinery being adopted by the farmers. Farm tractors, motor cars, electric lights, electric irons, vacuum cleaners, running water were only a few of the subjects introduced to prove that the farmers have many of the advantages of city life without the corresponding disadvantages. The following program was given:

Reading, "Art on the rampage," by Harlan Hoffman.

Song, "When you were a tulip and I were a big red rose," by Geo. Matten, Frank Kunciter, Ed Schulz, and Roy Marchand.

Reading by Walter Bahnsen and Johnnie Zak.

Reading, "City life and country life compared," by Hazel Puestman.

Recitation by Ida Zak.

Song, "Parodies," by Roy Marchand and John Zak.

Reading, "An actors tribulations," by John Clark.

Recitation by Josephine Zak.

The literary will not meet next Friday evening on account of Christmas but the next meeting will be Friday evening, Dec. 31. The question for debate will be "Resolved that it is better to trade at the home town in preference to elsewhere."

The following officers have been elected for the literary for the term beginning with the first meeting in January: President, John Zak; vice president, Geo. Matten; secretary, treasurer, W. B. Baker; editor, Frank Kunciter; assistant editor, C. F. Johnston; sergeant-at-arms, L. Rautenberg; Superintendent W. M. Smith visited the school recently. He seemed to be pleased with things as he found them. He took down the old standardization card and left a new one. Bethel was at one time a standard school being one of the first in the state to be standardized. Since then the requirements have been raised. We do not have the required three pieces of playground apparatus. It will be necessary to build a new school house to meet the requirements regarding lighting. But then a new school house is really needed for other reasons any way; so we should worry.

The school will give a Christmas entertainment Saturday evening, Dec. 25. There will be a program and a tree.

A royal good time is promised and all are invited.

Spuds and apples are rather cheap this year. Mr. H. B. Hoffman is one of those who have too many spuds and too few apples. He is looking for some one who is troubled by the reverse condition.

The Christian Endeavor last Sunday evening was about as well attended as usual. Mr. G. L. Johnston was leader. It was announced that there will be preaching at the school house next Sunday morning at the usual hour.

Christmas Program at School for Blind

A Christmas program of unusual interest will be given this evening by the pupils of the Oregon state school for the blind in the auditorium of the state blind school, beginning at 8:00 o'clock, to which the public is invited to attend.

The one act operetta, "Caught Napping," will be presented. The words are by Mrs. A. G. Lewis and the music by Leo R. Lewis. The characters and story of the operetta is as follows:

Santa Claus Marion Yantis
King Sonnambulo Wendell Helm
Prince Sonnambulo Maude Pinley
Doctor Buddah Bo Harry Bernstein
Prince Elbert Buell Field
Prince Victor Herold Foster
Princess Eugenia Emma Krebs
Plump (Page to King) Lawrence Dixon
Princess Genevieve Viola Bradley
Princess Theresa Anna Duedall
Princess Buttercup Rose Fosnot
Pages and Nurses

Argument.

King Sonnambulo, by the use of magical powders, has been able to keep his household awake for many years. His children, however, are not allowed to use the powders, and consequently have to go to bed and sleep, like ordinary mortals.

Crown Prince Elbert manages to secure, on Christmas Eve, the king's regular allowance of the magic medicine; and he and the other children are able to keep awake and see Santa Claus. The fright of the king and queen when deprived of their power to keep awake, the arrival of the "Real Saint Nick" and the maneuvering of the children to be forgiven, make up the main action of the operetta.

Musical Numbers.

1. Santa's Coming.
2. We Can't See Prince Drowsy Hum.
3. These Powders White.
4. Cream De Creamers.
5. Waispers.
6. Whoa, There.
7. We Stole Our Powders.
8. Join In The Glad, Glad Chorus.

Tax Commission Says Tide Lands Have Been Assessed

The state tax commission today replied to ex-Governor Oswald West that the Corvallis & Eastern tide lands had been on the tax roll of Lincoln county for over six months in answer to West's letter which implied that the railroad company was dodging taxes on the property. Mr. West also intimated that unless curbed the railroad would claim title to the ocean beach and the ocean next to it as Balboa once claimed for the Queen of Spain.

The commission replied in part as follows:

Over six months ago Commissioners Eaton and Galloway had this subject under consideration with W. E. Ball, assessor of Lincoln county. They instructed him to assess all of the lands in question to the company for the year 1915, except that wherever an apparently valid title to any parcel thereof stood of record in the name of any other owner, the assessment should be made to such record owner. Mr. Ball was further advised that on completion of the 1915 assessment and its review by the county board of education, thereby establishing the valuation of the lands assessed to the company, steps should be taken without delay to place said lands on the tax rolls for the five years prior to 1915, in the manner provided by law for the assessment and taxation of omitted property.

The assessor of Lincoln county has definitely informed the commission that its instructions in this matter have been carried out; that these lands of the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad company have been assessed, not only for the year 1915 but for five years prior thereto. The commission is further advised that the assessments have been made in the same manner and at the same valuation as though the lands were owned or claimed by private individuals.

The commission does not underestimate the importance of the issue whether the granting act conveyed to the railroad company any interest in the ocean beach of Lincoln county. This question has been placed before the attorney general, with the request that he suggest the proper form of action to be brought with the view of securing an early determination of the matter.

In view of the facts the commission is unable to see any good reason for a suggestion, direct or indirect, that it has not performed its full duty in the matter of assessment and taxation of these lands of the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad company.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

W. E. Nicewood, a farmer residing near Albany, was arrested in this city yesterday noon upon a complaint sworn out by D. E. Hart, a Salem real estate dealer, charging larceny. According to the statement of Mr. Hart, he arranged for the sale of some property for Mr. Nicewood and entered into a contract concerning the commission and other things. Hart found a buyer at the agreed terms, according to his statement, but Nicewood changed his mind later and did not want to sell.

Hart, however, claimed his commission which Nicewood refused to pay and they finally compromised upon Nicewood's agreement to pay half of the commission. Hart agreed to deliver the contract to Nicewood when the latter gave a check for half of the commission. Mr. Nicewood wrote out the check and laid it upon a table with the contract and they talked for a few minutes when Nicewood picked up the contract and began to tear it up. About this time Hart began looking for the check and found that it had become mixed up with the contract and was rapidly torn up. He called for a halt in the proceedings but the check was damaged beyond repair and so was the contract which called for the check in the first place.

Hart then swore out the complaint charging Nicewood with larceny.

A marriage license was issued yesterday afternoon at the office of the county clerk to Pearl A. Wood, a commission man of Silverton, and Emily Pearl Manning, of Gervais.

A suit to quiet title to about 4,000 acres of land was filed in the circuit court yesterday by the Abbot of St. Benedict's Abbey of Mt. Angel against Andrew Laidlaw. The plaintiff asks for a fee simple title to the property and a decree declaring all clouds to the title to be invalid. Carson & Brown are attorneys for the plaintiff.

S. and F. Uhlman have brought suit in the county court against Dorothea V. Ransau and a number of others to collect \$11,123.69 alleged to be due on a note secured by a chattel mortgage on a hop crop and some farm implements and livestock. The other defendants are made a party to the suit because they also have alleged some claims against the Ransaus.

Judge P. E. Kelly has issued a decree rendering a judgment by default to the plaintiff William Brandes against the defendants M. M. Diel and W. L. Diel. The judgment is in the sum of \$879 with interest at seven per cent, attorney's fees at \$50 and court costs of \$20.

The year 1914 was a better year for hunters than last year according to the records at the office of the county clerk. In 1914 a total of 7,666 licenses

Grand Theatre

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SOUTH AMERICAN TRAVEL SERIES No. 31

FRIDAY **Forbes-Robertson**

SUNDAY **The Rugmaker's Daughter**

CAN CHEW THE RAG EARLY

Bayonne, N. J., Dec. 23.—The eight pound baby born to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick G. Van Horn won't have some of the troubles incident to childhood for he was born with two teeth already out.

WOMEN WANT BABIES

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—Two hundred childless women in this city want babies as their Christmas presents, according to requests filed with local institutions. And the supply is away below the demand.

DIED.

HARRIS—Mrs. Naïma D. Harris died this morning at her home in Newberg. She is survived by her husband, a daughter, Mrs. Andrew Shoup, one son, Keith, her mother, Mrs. Martha J. Dickey, ad of Newberg, one sister, Mrs. C. L. Parmenter, Brothers: J. A. and Roscoe Dickey, of this city.